

XLIV.—Description of a new Longicorn Beetle from South Africa. By W. L. DISTANT.

*Megacælus gustavi*, sp. n.

Black, with a more or less olivaceous tint; elytra crossed by a transverse yellowish-white fascia at middle; head somewhat thickly brownish pilose, finely punctate at base, with a central medial linear impression not quite reaching base; antennæ robust, first joint thickest and clavate towards apex, second very short, third longest, a little longer than



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fourth or fifth which are subequal, remaining joints excluding apical gradually narrowing and almost subequal, apical joint shortest; pronotum finely punctate, centrally anteriorly subcordately depressed, on each side of the anterior margin of the depression a transverse flattened tuberculous ridge, at base a central transverse ridge; scutellum slightly centrally concave, broadly ridged on each side; elytra somewhat thickly punctate, the punctures more visible on the transverse pale fascia, each elytron with two longitudinal discal linear ridges, their apices angularly rounded and in the ♀ not reaching the abdominal apex; body beneath more or less brownly pilose; legs finely shortly pilose, the margins of the femora and tibiæ more distinctly so.

Long. ♀ 30 mm.; max. lat. hum. angl. 10 mm.

Hab. Cape Colony; East London (*G. Distant*).

Allied to *M. didelphis*, Chevr., but not only differing in colour and markings, the narrow transverse pale fascia being placed at middle of elytra, but also in the antennæ, which are almost twice as broad.